

House Resolution 1570

By: Representative O`Neal of the 146th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Foy Evans; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Foy Evans was the editor and publisher of *The Daily Sun* in Warner Robins,
3 Georgia; and

4 WHEREAS, his newspaper, which he started in 1949, was still routinely winning Georgia
5 Press Association awards for journalism in 1973 and was widely considered one of the top
6 two or three papers of its size in this state; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Evans got his start in Macon in the sports department of *The Telegraph*,
8 then known as *The News*, before moving to Florida to pursue a law degree; and

9 WHEREAS, after the war, he moved to middle Georgia, where he saw opportunity for a
10 young entrepreneur like himself; and

11 WHEREAS, for a good while, he was the weekly *Sun's* only full-time employee, gathering
12 and writing the news, selling the ads and subscriptions, and delivering the papers himself;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, by 1973, *The Sun* had become *The Daily Sun*, put together by a bustling mix
15 of ink-stained veterans and wet-behind-the-ears reporters fresh out of school; and

16 WHEREAS, a couple of years later, Mr. Foy sold the newspaper, but what the employees
17 learned about journalism carried them much further than they expected when seeking new
18 careers; one reporter went on to a career of overseas assignments as a foreign correspondent,
19 wire service reporting, and finally to become a thriving newspaper publisher in California;
20 another is currently an editor at the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*; and one traveled to
21 Chicago and Washington before coming back and settling down in the very same building
22 that once housed *The Daily Sun*.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body join together in recognizing Mr. Foy Evans and commending him
3 for the contributions he has made to his community, his colleagues, and this state.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Foy Evans.